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appliances, the fact of the disinfection being intrusted to workmen without a professional superintendent makes me afraid that serious work is not duly performed.

Since last report the following-named ships have been inspected or received bills of health from this office: January 18, steamship *Flaxman*, British, for New York, N. Y.; January 21, steamship *Caravellas*, French, for New Orleans, La.

Respectfully, yours,

R. CLEARY, M. D.,
Sanitary Inspector, M. H. S.

CUBA.

Sanitary report of Santiago.

SANTIAGO, CUBA, *February 8, 1896.*

SIR: I have the honor of submitting the following report upon the sanitary condition of Santiago de Cuba for the week ended February 8: The mortality has decreased somewhat during the week, the records giving the following: Yellow fever, 7; pernicious fever, 5; remittent fever, 8; tuberculosis, 4; cancer, 2; diphtheria, 1; typhomalaria, 1; the rest, up to 49, being from noncontagious or infectious diseases.

There are several cases of smallpox in town, but, so far as I have been able to discover, of mild character. I am keeping a careful watch and making inquiries among the physicians as often as possible to keep myself posted about the number of cases in town.

Yellow fever seems stationary just now, but this is owing to the fact that all the troops are now in the country operating against the insurgents. No new case of smallpox has appeared at the military hospital this week, and no death from it has taken place since my last report.

Diarrhea in a bad form and of a septic character has appeared among the children, owing, I believe, to the scarcity of good milk, which is getting very high in price.

We have given bills of health this week to the following vessels: February 3, Belgian steamship *Sagamore*, for Baltimore; February 4, British steamship *Plessey*, for Baltimore; February 5, British steamship *Castledale*, for Philadelphia; February 7, Norwegian steamship *Everdrup*, for Philadelphia; February 7, British schooner *Ulmka*, for Savannah, Ga.

Respectfully, yours,

HENRY S. CAMINERO,
Sanitary Inspector, M. H. S.

Increase of emigration from Cuba.

HABANA, ISLAND OF CUBA, *February 8, 1896.*

SIR: The remarkable exodus from this island and this port of people, mostly Cubans, which assumed increased and surprising proportions about the 20th of last month, still continues. From this end of the island most of those emigrants go to Florida and Mexico. The steamship *Olivette* of the Plant Line has, for a number of its biweekly trips, carried from here each time over 200 passengers, the last trip 237, and will probably take as many or more to-day, nearly all Cubans. As you are informed, smallpox not only exists in this city but in different parts of the island, making it necessary that passengers should give satisfactory proof of protection from smallpox or be vaccinated. Very much office work attends this supervision, and, as many of said pas-